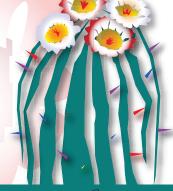


Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Yvonne Knaack - City of Glendale, Barrel District

March 21, 2008



Barrel District Town Talk. The next Barrel District Town Talk is on April 10th. Presentations will be made on the city's recycling program and the recent Super Bowl. Staff will be available to answer questions about traffic, property maintenance and zoning. Also, meet your Community Action Team (CAT) who will be on hand to provide Block Watch and crime prevention information.

Barrel District Town Talk

Thursday, April 10, 2008 6:30 p.m. Glendale Adult Center 5970 W. Brown St. Palo Verde Room

Councilmember Knaack Attends NLC Conference in Washington, DC. Councilmember Knaack, Vice Mayor Martinez and Councilmembers Goulet and Lieberman met last week with fellow municipal leaders and Members of Congress at the National League of Cities' (NLC) Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC, on a range of important national and hometown issues affecting the citizens of Glendale.

Throughout the conference, top Congressional leadership and prominent political analysts offered their views on what to expect from Congress and the ongoing presidential campaign. In addition, workshops and leadership seminars addressed such crucial issues facing cities as the effect on city finances due to the mortgage foreclosure crisis and the slowing economy, sustainability, the need to address crumbling infrastructure, rising gang violence and immigrant services.

Conference speakers included House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, along with other national leaders including Sen. Bernie Sanders, House Majority Whip James Clyburn and House Financial Services Committee Chairman Barney Frank. Other speakers included Mark Shields, political analyst, "The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer," and Donna Brazile, CNN political analyst.

While in Washington Councilmember Knaack and the other Glendale Councilmembers met with Congressman Trent Franks and Congressman Harry Mitchell to hear about federal policy issues and to discuss local concerns. The Glendale group also had the chance to meet with members of Congressman Ed Pastor's, Senator John McCain's and Senator John Kyl's staffs.

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership and governance. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.

Top Photo: Councilmembers Goulet, Knaack, Lieberman and Vice Mayor Martinez in Washington D.C.

Photo 2: Downtown Glendale Pedestrian Enhancement Project. (See story on next page.)

Public Works Project of the Year. Congratulation to the city of Glendale Engineering department! The department recently received the Public Works Project of the Year in the Historical Restoration/Preservation (\$10-100 million) category by the Arizona Chapter of APWA for its work on the Downtown Glendale Pedestrian Enhancement Project.

The Downtown Pedestrian Project spruced up historic downtown, resulting in enhanced landscaping and sidewalks. Improvements included new brick sidewalks and crosswalks; pedestrian lighting; bench repair and additional bicycle racks.

The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between partners who work together to complete solid public works projects. In addition, the city also received the Association of General Contractors project of the year award for the over \$10 million category for phase one of "Go Glendale Street Improvements." This included the intersection and street improvements for Glendale Avenue from 67th Ave. to 91st Ave; 67th Avenue and Camelback and 67th Avenue and Bell.

For more information about Glendale Engineering and its upcoming projects, visit www.glendaleaz.com/improvements.



City Sponsors Community Information Event. Residents seeking more information about non-profits serving the area are encouraged to attend a free information event on Wednesday, March 26 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Glendale Woman's Club, 7032 N. 56th Ave.

Glendale's Community Revitalization Division is sponsoring the event to provide information to the public about the various non-profits supported by the city's federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. In addition, foreclosure information will be available to assist those who need financial assistance on restructuring their mortgage loans.

For more information about the Community Revitalization Division, click here or call (623) 930-3670.

Live at the Library. Join us for Glendale's Live at the Library, a free performing arts series, at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening in the auditorium of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. On March 27, Zarco Guerrero Presents Tribute to Tucson's Lalo Guerrero, "The Father of Chicano Music." Read more.

Cesar E. Chavez Breakfast. Please join the West Valley in paying tribute to civil rights and farm laborer Cesar Chavez. Tickets are \$25 per person and \$250 for a table of 10. Proceeds benefit the Cesar E. Chavez Foundation and the Glendale Chamber Foundation. The event is March 28, 2008, from 7:30-9:30 a.m., at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive. Read more.

Spring Household Hazardous Waste Pick-up – Deadline to Schedule, March 28. The city of Glendale is providing residents an opportunity to safely and conveniently dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste. Collections will be handled March 24 through April 11, but you must make an appointment by March 28.

To make your appointment call the Sanitation Division at (623) 930-2660. Read more.

Glendale Family Bike Ride 2008. Ready, set, ride! That's right, it's time for the annual Glendale Family Bike Ride, and 2008's event promises plenty of family fun and exercise. This year's ride is set for Sunday, April 13, 2008. Register early! Read more.

Golf Tournament Benefits Youth. The Glendale Parks & Recreation Department is holding its second Hook A Kid on Golf Charity Tournament, Saturday, April 12, at the Legend at Arrowhead Golf Club, 21027 N. 67th Ave.

The charity tournament supports Glendale's Hook A Kid on Golf program. This unique program gives youngsters, who normally would not have the opportunity, a complete introduction to the sport of golf without any of the costs that are associated with it. Click here for tournament details. Registration will be accepted through March 28 or until full. For more information or to register, please call (623) 930-2042.

Glendale Jazz & Blues Festival. The city of Glendale's Gibson Jazz & Blues Festival will celebrate its 25th year with a tremendous lineup of local, regional and national entertainment in Historic Downtown Glendale April 12-13. The event will run 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday. Admission and parking are free. Read more.

Click here for the City Council Meeting schedule.

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